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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1141

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Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Cosmetology Act; to amend sections 71-340, 71-3,106, and 71-3,224, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1999; to define terms; to provide and change provisions relating to licensure exemptions; to change provisions relating to nail technology schools; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

8 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 71-340, Revised Statutes Supplement,

- 2 1999, is amended to read:
- 3 71-340. Sections 71-340 to 71-3,235 and sections 2 and 3
- 4 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the Nebraska
- 5 Cosmetology Act.
- 6 Sec. 2. Manicuring means the practice of performing any
- 7 or all of the acts of cutting, shaping, trimming, polishing,
- 8 coloring, tinting, cleansing, reshaping, or other similar cosmetic
- 9 or sanitary acts on the natural fingernails or toenails of a person
- 10 but does not include the practice of nail technology.
- 11 Sec. 3. A licensed cosmetology establishment is not
- 12 required to be licensed as a nail technology salon to provide nail
- 13 technology services by either a licensed cosmetologist or by a
- 14 <u>licensed nail technologist.</u>
- 15 Sec. 4. Section 71-3,106, Revised Statutes Supplement,
- 16 1999, is amended to read:
- 17 71-3,106. The Nebraska Cosmetology Act does not apply to
- 18 or restrict the activities of the following:
- 19 (1) Any person holding a current license or certificate
- 20 issued pursuant to Chapter 71 when engaged in the usual and
- 21 customary practice of his or her profession or occupation;
- 22 (2) Any person engaging solely in ear piercing,
- 23 tattooing, or other invasive beautification practices;
- 24 (3) Any person when engaged in domestic or charitable
- 25 administration;
- 26 (4) Any person performing any of the practices of
- 27 cosmetology or nail technology solely for theatrical presentations
- 28 or other entertainment functions;

1 (5) Any person practicing within the confines of a

- 2 hospital, nursing home, massage therapy establishment, funeral
- 3 establishment, or other similar establishment or facility licensed
- 4 or otherwise regulated by the department, except that no unlicensed
- 5 or unregistered person may accept compensation for such practice;
- 6 (6) Any person providing services during a bona fide
- 7 emergency;
- 8 (7) Any retail or wholesale establishment or any person
- 9 engaged in the sale of cosmetics, nail technology products, or
- 10 other beauty products when the products are applied by the customer
- 11 or when the application of the products is in direct connection
- 12 with the sale or attempted sale of such products at retail;
- 13 (8) Any person when engaged in nonvocational training;
- 14 and
- 15 (9) A person demonstrating on behalf of a manufacturer or
- 16 distributor any cosmetology, nail technology, or electrolysis
- 17 equipment or supplies if such demonstration is performed without
- 18 charge; and
- 19 (10) Any person or licensee engaged in the practice or
- 20 <u>teaching of manicuring</u>.
- 21 Sec. 5. Section 71-3,224, Revised Statutes Supplement,
- 22 1999, is amended to read:
- 23 71-3,224. In order to maintain its license in good
- 24 standing, each nail technology school shall operate in accordance
- 25 with the following requirements:
- 26 (1) Every person accepted for enrollment as a standard
- 27 student shall meet the following qualifications:
- (a) He or she has attained the age of seventeen years on

1 or before the date of his or her enrollment in a nail technology

- 2 school;
- 3 (b) He or she has completed the equivalent of a high
- 4 school education; and
- 5 (c) He or she has not undertaken any training in nail
- 6 technology in this state after January 1, 2000, without being
- 7 enrolled as a nail technology student;
- 8 (2) Every person accepted for enrollment as a special
- 9 study nail technology student shall meet the following
- 10 requirements:
- 11 (a) He or she has attained the age of seventeen years on
- 12 or before the date of enrollment in a nail technology school;
- (b) He or she has completed the tenth grade; and
- 14 (c) He or she is actively continuing his or her formal
- 15 high school education on a full-time basis as determined by the
- 16 department.
- 17 Special study nail technology students shall be limited
- 18 to attending a nail technology school for no more than eight hours
- 19 per week during the school year;
- 20 (3) Proof of age shall consist of a birth certificate,
- 21 baptismal certificate, or other equivalent document as determined
- 22 by the department. Evidence of education shall consist of a high
- 23 school diploma, general educational development certificate, or
- 24 equivalent document as determined by the department. No nail
- 25 technology school shall accept an individual for enrollment who
- 26 does not provide evidence of meeting the age and education
- 27 requirements for registration;
- 28 (4) Every person accepted for enrollment as a nail

1 technology student instructor shall show evidence of current

- 2 licensure as a nail technician in Nebraska and completion of formal
- 3 education equivalent to a United States high school education;
- 4 (5) The school shall, at all times the school is in
- 5 operation, have at least one nail technology instructor in the
- 6 school; for each twenty students or fraction thereof enrolled in
- 7 the school, except that beginning and advanced students shall be
- 8 taught in separate classes;
- 9 (6) The school shall not permit any nail technology
- 10 student to render clinical services on members of the public with
- 11 or without fees until such student has satisfactorily completed the
- 12 beginning curriculum, except that the board may establish
- 13 guidelines by which it may approve such practices as part of the
- 14 beginning curriculum;
- 15 (7) No school shall pay direct compensation to any of its
- 16 nail technology students. Nail technology student instructors may
- 17 be paid as determined by the school;
- 18 (8) All nail technology students and nail technology
- 19 student instructors shall be under the supervision of a nail
- 20 technology instructor or nail technology student instructor at all
- 21 times when nail technology services are being taught or performed;
- 22 (9) Once a nail technology student has been classified as
- 23 a permanent drop, if after two years the student has not reenrolled
- 24 in a nail technology school in Nebraska or transferred his or her
- 25 hours to a school in another state, all hours earned by the student
- 26 shall be declared void;
- 27 (10) No student shall be permitted by the school to train
- 28 or work in a school in any manner for more than ten hours a day;

- 1 and
- 2 (11) The school shall not credit a nail technology
- 3 student or nail technology student instructor with hours except
- 4 when such hours were earned in the study or practice of nail
- 5 technology in accordance with the required curriculum. Hours shall
- 6 be credited on a daily basis. Once credited, hours cannot be
- 7 removed or disallowed except by the department upon a finding that
- 8 the hours have been wrongfully allowed.
- 9 Sec. 6. Original sections 71-340, 71-3,106, and
- 10 71-3,224, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1999, are repealed.
- 11 Sec. 7. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 12 when passed and approved according to law.